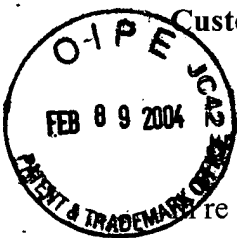


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PATENT

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

re application of: : KUEI-WU HUANG ET AL
Serial No. : 09/517,987
Filed : March 3, 2000
For : METHOD OF FORMING PLANARIZED STRUCTURES
IN AN INTEGRATED CIRCUIT
Group No. : 2812
Examiner : R. Booth

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

No fees are believed to be necessary; however, in the event that any fees are required for the prosecution of this application, please charge any necessary fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0208. No extension of time is believed to be necessary. If, however, an extension of time is needed, the extension is requested and please charge the fee for this extension to Deposit Account No. 50-0208.

In response to the Office Action dated November 6, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows: